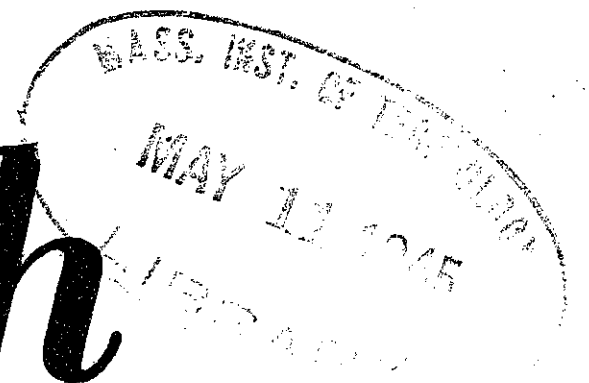


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Tech Eight In Win On Charles

Beats Cornell, Crimson; Crews To Visit Ithaca

Last Saturday afternoon over a too placid Charles River, the Tech varsity crew defeated the crews of Cornell and Harvard in a respectable time of 9:17.5. In the Junior Varsity race, the Cornell crew led all the way to easy triumph, while the M.I.T.J.V. nipped the Harvard boat for second place. Earlier in the afternoon, the Tech varsity boat defeated the Harvard crew by a comfortable margin over the Henley distance of one mile and five sixteenths.

In the mile-and-three-quarters varsity race, the Tech eight forged steadily ahead from the start and never in a dangerous position of passing the dinghy pavilion. At the end of the race found them one-quarter of a length in front of Cornell with Harvard still another length behind. The race was held at a steady pace of 32 strokes per minute as there was no necessity for a final sprint at the finish.

Coxswain Ray Excels

Much credit for the varsity victory must go to cox Ray who kept the boat on a straight course in spite of the strong cross wind which

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Class Election Date Moved To May 29

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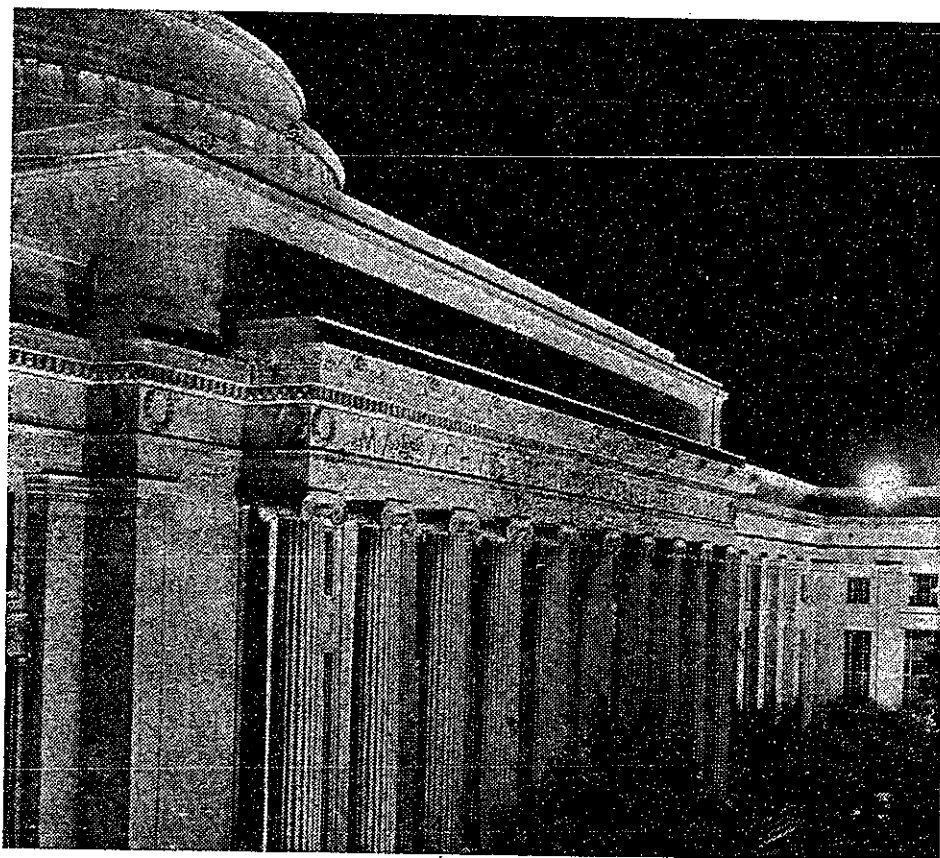
The class elections, previously scheduled for Wednesday, May 30, have been changed to the preceding Tuesday, May 29. This change has been made because of the suspension of classes on the occasion of Memorial Day, May 30.

Nomination blanks must be obtained in at the ballot box in the Information Office, Room 7-111, beginning at 9:00 A. M. Wednesday, May 29, and 1:00 P. M. Thursday, May 30. They may be obtained at the same time at the Information Office and require twenty-five signatures.

A 100 word statement of plans for the year, a list of policies, an activity record in

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"THE LIGHTS GO ON AGAIN"



Last Wednesday, the floodlights illuminating the main buildings were turned on again. This is the first time they have been on since December, 1941, when the submarine menace, and the subsequent dimout regulations turned off all such lighting. These lights, just as others all up and down the coast, are shining to celebrate the end of the war in Europe. They will continue to burn every night for an indefinite period.

Thousands Attend V-E Ceremonies In Great Court

Dr. Compton Presides; Asks Continued Effort For Ultimate Victory

The Institute's observance of victory in Europe was limited to a convocation held in the Great Court, Tuesday, in line with the government's request that vital research and training programs go on as usual. President Karl T. Compton, who presided at the convocation, called "V-E Day" a day of joy, which must be tempered with the realization that there are many hard battles still to be fought before we can celebrate complete victory. Later, he emphasized the great role that Technology has played in winning the victory in Europe.

After a playing of the Washington Post March and the Star Spangled Banner by the V-12 Band, the convocation opened with a prayer led by Reverend Carl Heath Kopf of the Mount Vernon Church.

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Ship Is Named "M.I.T. Victory"

Christening Tomorrow At Baltimore Yards

Launching of the SS M.I.T. Victory, one of a number of Victory ships named in honor of American colleges and universities by the United States Maritime Commission, will take place tomorrow at the Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyard, Inc., in Baltimore, Md. President Karl T. Compton will attend the launching, as will local Baltimore alumni of the Institute.

The launching will be preceded by a small luncheon at the Belvedere Hotel in Baltimore, to be given by Mrs. Compton, sponsor of the ship, and which will be attended by several active Baltimore and Washington alumni as well as by Mr. J. M. Willis, vice-president and general manager of the shipyard.

Through the American Merchant Marine Library Association the Institute has made a gift of a commemorative library for the S.S. M.I.T. Victory.

Pres. Compton, Prof. Greene Hold Debate

Aspects Of Proposed Compulsory Military Training Discussed

Stating his belief that "universal military training is the best answer in sight for doing our share in keeping a permanent peace," President Karl T. Compton came out in favor of a compulsory postwar training program in a debate with Prof. William C. Greene, of the department of English and History, who was distinctly against such a program. The debate, which was sponsored by the T. C. A., was held Monday afternoon, May 7 in Huntington Hall. President Compton's opinions were definitely his own and did not represent official Institute attitude.

Dr. Compton admitted that there were many arguments both in favor and against compulsory training, but said that he felt that the arguments in favor outweighed those against. He pointed out the fallacy of judging other nations by our own ethical principles and said that the danger of further war will not come from a state where things are viewed as we view them. He quoted Ambassador Joseph Grew who said that prior to World Wars I and II the United States was held in contempt for its lack of military might to enforce its ideals, and pointed out that, since an international organization must be able to force good behavior on obstreperous nations, this time we must have courage to do whatever need be done to make another war impossible.

Dr. Compton emphasized that

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Unclaimed Pops Tickets Go On Sale Tomorrow

All unclaimed tickets for Tech Night at the Pops, June 2, are to go on sale tomorrow from 10:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. and Monday, from 11:00 A. M. to 2:00 P. M. in the lobby of Building Ten.

Tickets that have not been purchased after Monday will be returned to Symphony for sale to the public.

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AN ORGANIZATION FOR VETERANS AT TECH

With the end of the war in Europe there will be ever-increasing numbers of veterans entering the Institute, some men returning to resume their studies where they left off, others entering as freshmen. With these men comprising the large portion of the student body that they undoubtedly will, it seems necessary that they should have an organization to represent them and to aid them in becoming adjusted or readjusted to Institute life. The foundations for such an organization have already been laid by a small group of returned veterans; the need now is for the interest to make their plans a reality.

The problem of the returning veteran is a big one. The time to plan aids for these men is now, when their numbers are but a trickle compared to the torrent that will pour in as the war draws to a close. These men have a different outlook on life from the average college student; they feel strange returning to civilian life and often have difficulty making the necessary adjustments. They need the aid of men who have returned before them and have made these adjustments. This idea has motivated those who now seek to form a veterans' organization here at the Institute. To quote from the statement of aims of the proposed organization, "... the veteran already attending M.I.T. and many that are to come are now, and will be, in need of help and advice from a body of men who understand and think as they."

The veterans' organization should have the active support of every person at the Institute. The time is coming when the veterans will form a large portion of the student body. They need an organization to represent and aid them. Now is the time to get such an organization started, an organization "that will be able to help the veteran student financially, socially, and academically." The plan is made, it must now be transformed into an active organization.

Compton-Greene Debate

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military training is not military service, and outlined a proposed one-year training program in which a man would be trained in some technical operation suited to his aptitudes and desires. He had no sympathy for the argument that a year spent in training is a waste of time, because greater maturity will result from the useful educational experience incorporated in the program, and stated that the argument that training soon becomes obsolete is not cogent, otherwise there would be no point in studying engineering.

Compton Urges Preparedness

President Compton stated that the proposed training program is not justified by educational value alone, but that it is important to national security—we must be prepared, since past experience has proven that no aggressor attacks until he is quite sure of quick victory. We cannot be sure of a buffer state to give us time to prepare. He then pointed out some of the incidental social values involved in the program, and said that the training will have wholesome value for many undisciplined young men. He saw the need for balance between initiative and discipline, pointing out that men adjust themselves to society and that a year

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Reviews & Preview

In a mood and manner more ting the Shubert Theater on Broadway than the Peabody Playhouse and Charles Street, Dramashop delivered last week excellent production of S. N. Behrman's witty, subtle and sexy "Biography." The choice of a play was superb and each character was a "natural" in his or her role.

The play itself is a somewhat weird combination of hilarious subtle comedy, biting satire, and some rather good bits of philosophy. Mr. Behrman has managed, however, to unite these into a coherent and fascinating tale of an unhibited artist, Marion Froude, who has been persuaded to write a biography of her lurid but charming life. If the play had any weak spots at all, they would be somewhat cumbersome but necessary exposition at the beginning of the first act and the rather disappointing ending, which is, nevertheless, consistent with the character development.

It would be most difficult to state which actor or actress turned in the best performance, for they were all excellent in their respective roles. Lee Dorste, 10-46, played charmingly the witty, precocious, and "tolerant" Mar-

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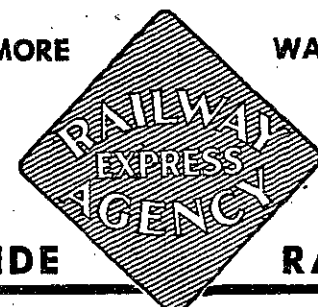
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Dinghies Win Sharpe Trophy at Providence

Bloomer, Brite Star As Team Cops 62 Pts. On Choppy Waters

Chuck Bloomer and Leigh Brite, the top dinghymen, brought the Sharpe Memorial Trophy to M. I. T. for the fifth time in the tenth annual invitation regatta held last Sunday at Brown University. Although the sailors secured a victory over Coast Guard, a real chance to avenge the two defeats that the Cadets have suffered this spring will come Saturday and Sunday, when the team will journey to the Academy to compete in the Fifth Annual England Dinghy Championship Regatta for the Coast Guard Bowl against 12 other colleges. Bloomer and Brite will again skipper, with a Fountain going along as alternate skipper.

The conditions at Brown were conducive to good sailing. The team had to beat up the river, against the current and such winds there was, mixed with a good quantity of rain. Although Bloomer finished fifth in the first race, he brought his boat back to the finish first in the other three races, making him high skipper for the team with 32 out of a possible 36 points.

Leigh Brite in the second division finished his races first, fifth, first, third, getting a total of 30 points, one point behind the high finisher in the second division.

The team's final score was 62, compared with Coast Guard, 58; Brown, 48; Worcester Tech, 48; Harvard, 35; Northeastern, 35; Yale, 32; and Tufts, 25.

Wood Wins Bowling Tourney This Term

The Wood bowling team won the laurels this term in the Dorm Bowling League, suffering only three defeats in 20 games during the season which ended last Monday.

In the only match scheduled Monday, Hayden defeated Goodale, 4-0.

Final standings are as follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Wood	17	3	.850
Hayden	14	6	.700
Munroe	10½	5½	.656
Walcott	13	7	.650
Goodale	5½	14½	.275

Bemis lost every game it played, and dropped out of competition during the latter part of the season.

V-E Convocation

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Then President Compton called on what he termed "some of the brighter stars in the M.I.T. galaxy." Captain Roswell H. Blair, Senior Naval Officer at the Institute, read a message from Fleet Admiral King, and Lieutenant-Colonel John C. Dunbar, Commanding Officer of Army Training Schools, delivered a message from Major General Miles. After these messages, Lieutenant-Colonel Willard J. Slagle and Dr. F. W. Loomis, Commanding Officer of the Chemical Warfare Service Development Laboratory and Associate Director of the Radiation Laboratory respectively, gave brief talks in which they praised the members of their staffs for the important part they had in bringing about the victory over Germany.

President Compton closed the convocation by displaying a captured Panzer battalion headquarters flag and by expressing his fervent hope that "V-J Day" will not be too far in the future. The Glee Club then led the several thousand people assembled in singing a verse of America, after which classes and research work were resumed.

Tech Massacres Tufts In Track, Score 103½-31½ 13 Of 15 Events Carried

West Point Trounces Tech; Team Plays Tufts Saturday

The Tech lacrosse team traveled to West Point last Saturday, only to sustain a 13-4 drubbing at the hands of the Cadets. After a closely contested first half, with the score at 4-3 in favor of Army, the hosts staged a scoring flurry in the third period which netted eight points and put the outcome beyond doubt. This Saturday Tech will go to Tufts to try to avenge an 18-7 defeat suffered earlier in the season.

Class Elections

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tabular form, a cumulative rating and a 4x5 photograph (optional), must accompany each nomination form.

The officers to be elected are as follows: Class of 6-45—Permanent President, Secretary, and three Marshals; Class of 2-46—President, Vice-president, Secretary-treasurer, two Institute Committee representatives, and ten Senior Week Committee members; Class of 10-46—President, Vice-president, Secretary-treasurer, two Institute Committee representatives, and five Junior Prom. Committee members; Class of 2-47—five Junior Prom Committee members.

Nehru's Sister To Address International Club May 18

Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, prominent woman leader of India, will speak at an International Club meeting Friday, May 18, at 5:00 P.M. in Room 6-120. A sister of Jawaharlal Nehru, one of the foremost leaders of the Indian National Congress, Mrs. Pandit is former president of the All India Women's Conference and first woman to hold a cabinet post. She will speak on the future of India.

Mrs. Pandit is coming to the Institute from the San Francisco Conference, where she is unofficially representing the people of India.

Casey Wins 100, 220 Serrie Takes Mile, Half 2 Of 3 Meets Now Won

Figuring in the first position in all but two of fifteen events, the Tech track team last Saturday decisively trounced Tufts at Briggs Field by the score of 103½ to 31½. This victory marked the team's second success in three dual meets thus far this season.

The only events in which Tufts was able to claim undisputed firsts were the 220-yard low hurdles and the shot put; the high jump resulted in a tie between Hines of M.I.T. and Dunning of Tufts.

Casey, by taking the 100- and 220-yard dashes, and Serrie, by virtue of victories in the mile and half mile, led the Tech scorers with ten points apiece. Close behind, however, were Hines with nine and Kornreich and Crimmin with eight each. Luce's eight markers were high for Tufts.

The results of the meet were as follows:

- 120-yard High Hurdles—Won by Boomer (M); Werner (M), second; Sanchini (T), third. Time: 16.6 sec.
- 100-yard Dash—Won by Casey (M); Worsam (M), second; Whiteford (T), third. Time: 10.0 sec.
- Mile Run—Won by Serrie (M); Blanchard (T), second; Dickey (M), third. Time: 4 min., 28.4 sec.
- 440-yard Dash—Won by Crimmin (M); Chapman (M), second; Boyd (T), third. Time: 50.4 sec.
- Two-mile Run—Won by Ray (M); Bowen (M), second; Foster (T), third. Time: 10 min., 28.4 sec.
- 880-yard Run—Won by Serrie (M); Goldie (M), second; Schindel (M), third. Time: 2 min., 0.4 sec.
- 220-yard Low Hurdles—Won by Porter (T); Sanchini (T), second; Westcott (M), third. Time: 28.0 sec.
- 220-yard Run—Won by Casey (M); Crimmin (M), second; Chapman (M), third. Time: 23.4 sec.
- High Jump—Tie for first by Hines (M) and Dunning (T); Wright (M), third. Height: 5 ft., 10 in.
- Hammer—Won by Donahue (M); Kornreich (M), second; Jameson (M), third. Distance: 102 ft., 2¾ in.
- Discus—Won by Kornreich (M); Luce (T), second; Speaker (M), third. Distance: 131 ft., 7 in.
- Shot Put—Won by Luce (T); Speaker (M), second; LaForce (M), third. Distance: 42 ft., 8 in.
- Javelin—Won by Upton (M); Oechsle (M), second; Dougan (T), third. Distance: 169 ft.
- Broad Jump—Won by Hines (M); Worsam (M), second; Schultz (M), third. Distance: 22 ft., ½ in.
- Pole Vault—Won by Wright (M); Bailey (T), second; tie for third by Dunning (T) and Unuvar (M). Height: 11 ft., 6 in.

Note: (M)—M.I.T. (T)—Tufts.

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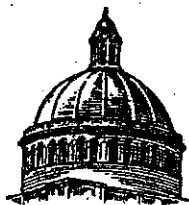
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Lewin To Discuss Minority Problems

Talks Before Hillel Soc.
On May 14 In 6-120

Prof. Kurt Lewin, head of the newly-formed Research Center for Group Dynamics at the Institute, will speak under the auspices of the Hillel Society on Monday, May 14, at 5:05 P.M. in Room 6-120 in his first address before the general student body. Dr. Lewin will discuss the program of the Research Center and the relation of science to group management. As an example of the Center's work, he will consider the possibilities of an experimental scientific approach to minority problems.

The new Research Center, which began work this term, is undertaking a systematic experimental study of all aspects of group life, including leadership problems in industry. It is part of the department of Economics and Social Sciences, working in very close cooperation with the Division of Industrial Relations, and will offer a program of graduate study leading to the doctorate.

Dr. Lewin, who is at present consultant to the Office of Strategic Services and the Department of Agriculture, was a professor at Harvard, Stanford and Iowa before coming to Technology. He is the author of such books as "Studies in Topological and Vector Psychology" and "The Conceptual Representation and Measurement of Psychological Forces."

"Bull Session" Dinner On May 16

Groups Will Dine
In Pritchett Hall

A "Bull-Session" Dinner will be held on Wednesday, May 16, at 6:00 P. M. in Pritchett Hall, Walker Memorial, for all M.I.T. students. Accommodations for the dinner are limited to seven groups of seven students and a professor, and three groups of five students and a professor. Each group may invite any member of the instructing staff they wish to be their guest. One member of each group will take charge of the dinner reservations, the invitation, and the submittal of a tentative dinner list to the committee.

Students may purchase the tickets at \$1.00 from Spencer Standish 6-45, Dinner Committee Chairman, or at the door. The Dormitory Committee will pay the dinner fee for the guest professors.

Reviews And Previews

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Froude. Mrs. Dorste succeeded admirably in making the gracious, human, and lovable Marion into a living character. Claude W. Brenner, 2-47, was equally excellent as Richard Kurt ("spelled with a K"), the bitter and cynical editor who became Marion's lover. His tirades against the selfishness and hypocrisy of the human race were particularly effective. One of Marion's earlier lovers, Melchior Feydak, the epitome of the cultured and blase intellectual cosmopolite, was naturally and magnificently played by Durga Bajpai, 2-46, whom the role fitted perfectly. Every gesture and word came so naturally that it seemed he had been Melchior all his life.

William Siebert, 2-46, was a screamingly funny edition of Leander "Bunny" Nolan, the windbag Senatorial candidate from Tennessee with whom Marion "first sinned before God." Robert Connor, 2-46, played the southern version of Bernarr McFadden, Orrin Kennicott, with a hamminess that was delightful, and Frieda Omansky, 6-45, did an excellent job as his willful daughter, Slade. Thomas Inglis, 2-47, was the gushy movie idol, Warwick Wilson, and Catherine M. Sponable, 2-46, gave a good performance of Minnie, Marion's German maid.

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of training properly carried out can provide a fundamental feeling for teamwork. "Discipline doesn't mean subjection—but teamwork." Since character is an important feature of a good soldier, any competent training program develops good qualities. He pointed out that since the greatest military weapon is cause, the inculcation of proper ideals in our young men is extremely important.

During his talk, President Compton expressed his feeling that the program must cover all young men except those of extreme physical disability, and that scientists and engineers, especially, not be exempted, because any general exemptions would lead to a breakdown of the entire program.

Greene Debunks "Character-Building"

Angular Professor Greene then took the stand to bring forth his argument in his terse, critical manner. He said that Dr. Compton's arguments about character and idealism were silly—that "a bunch of men told what to do in time of no stress aren't necessarily high ideal-

Official Notice

All classes at the Institute will be suspended on Memorial Day, Wednesday, May 30, it was announced by the Registrar's Office. The holiday was not scheduled in the original calendar for the current term.

Crew

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threatened to blow the shells into the Cambridge shore. The performance turned in by the oarsmen, however, was very encouraging especially after the mediocre showing against Navy the previous week.

Attention at the boathouse is being given to the formation of a stronger J.V., as Coach Jim McMillin has been trying out numerous combinations in an effort to find one that clicks.

Tech Rows Navy Again

The race at Ithaca will pit an undefeated Navy eight against once beaten M.I.T. and Cornell and, as yet, untried Columbia. There will also be a J.V. and third boat race.

The Varsity lineup of last Saturday's race is as follows: Thorkilsen, stroke; Hoaglund, 7; Kurriss, 6; Taft, 5; Street, 4; Rapoport, 3;

ists and moral giants," and the training program advocated by military officials doesn't include some of Dr. Compton's ideas about training according to aptitudes—in short, that men polishing brass on battleships aren't idealists.

Professor Greene pointed out that real preparedness involves more than military force in that we must develop good relations with the rest of the world. He doubted that the other nations of the world, upon seeing us break our traditional policy of having no conscription during time of peace, could help but worry about American imperialism. "Peace is not obtained by scaring the other fellow." He stated that when President Compton said, "There are people who don't have our moral values," he was referring only to Russia. He opined that the "Fear Russia" campaign carried on by those who favor compulsory training is harmful—that our difference of moral values doesn't mean we'll have to fight them. Russia cannot conquer us and we cannot conquer Russia.

Professor Greene pointed out the danger of giving the federal government such enormous power over a large portion of the population—especially since it is proposed that we give this power to "a part of the government not notable for democracy or 'discussion group-

Frosh Handbook Goes To Press

The annual T.C.A. Freshman Handbook has gone to press. It should be delivered by June 15, time to be mailed to the incoming freshmen, according to Walter Ross, director of the T.C.A.

Sixteen hundred copies are being printed. Various changes and improvements have been made since last year's edition. Samuel C. Man, 2-46, is managing editor, was assisted by Roger Bart, business manager, and Robert Stevens, 2-47, advertising manager in the preparation of the book.

Heuchling, 2 Edgerly, bow; and Cox. The J.V.: Hoffman, stroke; Baker, 7; Shuman, 6; Huschke, 5; Tebbetts, 4; Bossler, 3; Neuman, 2; Mauzy, bow; and Whitehead, cox.

The lineup of the undefeated fourth crew is: Potter, stroke; P. noster, 7; Van Meter, 6; Munn, 5; Feist, 4; Jensen, 3; Lowerre, Eppner, bow; and Herbert, cox. The third boat lineup: Winkler, stroke; Bowman, 7; Loeb, 6; Stephen, 5; McKewen, 4; Trageser, 3; Berner, 2; Kircher, bow; and Pelegrin, cox.

ism." He said that once we have the program we would never give up, but that we would incline towards extending it instead, that by putting all our young men through the habit of military training we run the danger of "getting into nice, big imperialistic wars." Admitting that he knew about atomic bombs and the threat of them, Professor Greene questioned the student Compton's opinion that we must have men ready-trained to meet any sudden menace. He said that if our big cities were going to be blown up overnight by some new enemy weapon, it would be completely futile to have millions of half-trained men standing around to get blown up just the same. He saw the need for limited specialized training and continued research, rather than the training of huge masses of men.

A brief question period followed the talks. The audience was aroused by a comment of a military officer addressed to Dr. Compton. The officer pointed out that under the conditions near camps where groups of men are trained are those of Annapolis, West Point, or a private military academy. Dr. Compton replied that it would be easier to control conditions in peacetime, and that the program must be handled with extreme care if it is not to end in disaster.